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**CARVER MAN SENT TO JAIL FOR DRUGGED DRIVING AND CAUSING CRASH
THAT SERIOUSLY INJURED TWO PEOPLE, CAUSED THE DEATH OF WOMAN'S
UNBORN CHILD**

PLYMOUTH – A Carver man has pleaded guilty and been sentenced to jail for driving under the influence of drugs when his car struck another car and seriously injured two people and caused the death of the pregnant driver's unborn child, Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy J. Cruz announced today.

Today, Christopher J. Reagan (DOB: 09/19/91) pleaded guilty to one count each of Operating a Motor Vehicle Under the Influence of Drugs and Operating a Motor Vehicle to Endanger, Causing Serious Bodily Injury, Aggravated Assault and Battery by Means of a Dangerous Weapon, Assault and Battery by Means of a Dangerous Weapon and Misleading a Police Officer with the Intent to Obstruct a Criminal Proceeding. Plymouth Superior Court Judge Cornelius Moriarty sentenced Reagan to serve 2 ½ years in the House of Corrections on the OUI-Drugs and Operating a Motor Vehicle to Endanger Causing Serious Bodily Injury charges. Reagan was sentenced to serve 18 months in the House of Corrections from and after on the Aggravated Assault and Battery by Means of a Dangerous Weapon charge. On the remaining charges, Reagan was ordered to serve Probation for three years after his jail sentence. As part of his probation, Reagan must submit to random drug and alcohol testing and participate in a drug treatment program. The Commonwealth had recommended that Reagan serve 8-10 years in State Prison on each of the OUI-Drugs and Operating a Motor Vehicle to Endanger Causing Serious Bodily Injury charges.

"This has been a long journey for the victims involved in this crash," DA Cruz said. "Not only did this couple endure their own painful injuries in this collision, they suffered the tragic loss of their unborn baby. Mr. Reagan got behind the wheel under the influence of drugs and changed the lives of this couple forever. I am hopeful that today's sentence will help begin the healing process for them."

On Sunday, February 1, 2015 at approximately 4:45 pm, Carver Police responded to a report of a head-on collision in the area of 71 South Main Street in Carver. The victim's blue 2005 Chevy Impala was pushed completely off the road and into a snowbank on the southbound

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side with extensive damage. The operator, a 21-year-old pregnant woman, was trapped inside the vehicle. The Carver Fire Department used the Jaws of Life to extract the woman, who was medflighted to Tufts Medical Center for treatment. The victim was hospitalized for a month before being transferred to a rehabilitation center for further treatment of a traumatic brain injury, multiple fractures and severe lacerations to her body. The woman's unborn baby died as a result of the crash. Medical experts that were consulted as part of the case determined the unborn child was not viable and the Commonwealth was unable to proceed with a motor vehicle homicide charge for the death. The driver's boyfriend and father of the unborn baby was seated in the passenger seat of the car. He was transported by ambulance to a local hospital for treatment and released.

Reagan was driving a gray Toyota Scion driven north on South Main Street when the collision occurred. The investigation found that Reagan failed to touch the brake as he was negotiating a curve and crossed over the solid lines into the opposite travel lane, nearly striking another vehicle before crashing head-on into the victim's blue Chevy Impala. Investigators found a syringe, spoon and crumpled up piece of paper which contained a white powdery substance, which tested positive for cocaine and Fentanyl. Reagan was transported to Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital in Plymouth for treatment for his injuries. At the hospital, Reagan's blood tested positive for the presence of cannabinoid and opiates and he was served a citation with the criminal charges at the hospital.

Assistant District Attorney Mary Nguyen prosecuted the case, which was investigated by State Police assigned to the District Attorney's Office with Carver Police.

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